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| UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (Only for new non-provisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) | Attorney Docket No. | 09793953-0040 |
| | First Named Inventor or Application Identifier | |
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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification | Total Pages <u>11</u> | 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation) | |
| 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35USC 113) | Total Pages <u>3</u> | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c). (non-executed Decl) | |
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| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d)) <i>(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)</i> | | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment | |
| i. <input type="checkbox"/> <u>DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)</u> Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). | | 10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) <i>(Should be specifically itemized)</i> | |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. | | 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Statement filed in prior Application, Statement(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Status still proper and desired | |
| | | 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified copy of priority document. | |

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Our Reference 09793953-0040**

Dear Commissioner:

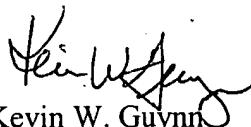
I am filing the attached application, including 20 claims (5 independent), 3 sheets of drawings, executed Declaration, along with the PTO-2038 Charge form for the filing fee in the amount of ~~\$856.00~~ ^{\$791.00} and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).

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